

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY GIVEN TO VARIOUS SECTOR
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the extent of subsidy provided to various sectors in the country during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether this subsidy actually reached the people for whom it was meant;
- (c) if so, the details in this regard; and.
- (d) the extent of subsidy proposed to be given for various sectors during the year 2003-04;

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL):

(a) and (d) The extent of subsidy provided to various sectors during each of the last three years and Budget Estimates for the same during the current financial year is given below:

Major Subsidies of the Central Government

(Rs. crore)

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	(R.E.)	(B.E.)		
A Major Subsidies	25860	30447	41774	48830
1 Food subsidy	12060	17499	24200	27800
2 Indigenous (Urea) fertilisers	9480	8044	7499	7555
3 Imported(Urea) fertilisers	1	47	10	709
4 Sale of decontrolled fertilizers with concession to farmers	4319	4504	3500	4456
5 Petroleum subsidy	-	-	6265	8116
6 Grants to NAFED for MIS/PPS	-	353	300	294
B Other Subsidies	978	760	2844	977
7 import/export of Sugar				
Edible Oils etc.	40	8	-	-
8 Interest subsidies	111	210	765	179
9 Debt Relief to Farmers	-	-	-	-
10 Others Subsidies	827	542	2079	798
Total-Subsidies	26838	31207	44618	49907

(b) and (c) Budgetary subsidies are designed to achieve national objectives and are periodically evaluated for their impact. Based on the feed back, Policy corrections are made. The food subsidy has been targeted to Below Poverty Line (BPL) population. Fertiliser subsidies have been revamped on the suggestions of Expenditure Reforms Commission.